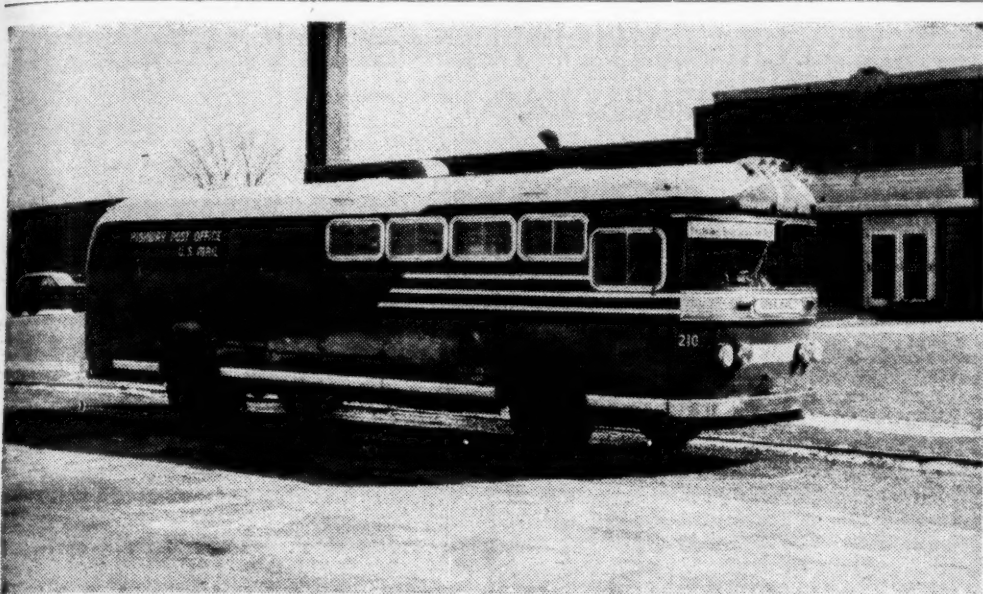


ARGENTINA ANNOUNCES TWO SETS



WE POINT WITH PRIDE TO A LOCAL PRODUCT. The Highway Post Office bus shown above is one of three which were recently completed by the C. D. Beck Co., coach and bus manufacturers of Sidney, Ohio. They were made for a private concern in Iowa which had gotten the mail carrying contract for a newly proposed route in that state. The interiors are similar in every respect to that of the bus shown on page six of the March 6 edition of Linn's. It is thought that the buses will be used on the Des Moines - Muscatine, Iowa; and the Des Moines-Shenandoah, Iowa HPO runs.

Discovering The Stories Back Of The Stamps Of A Medical Subject Collection Is Highly Educational

by Dr. Charles J. Reilly

In this age of rapid living and high tension we find both lay and medical magazines urgently recommending that men and women adopt some hobby to ease the pace and provide a change of gears for the overworked human machinery. Stamp collecting is one of the hobbies frequently mentioned but like in other things the physician rarely takes his own advice and suffers accordingly. With so many philatelists specializing in topical subjects it is not surprising that one has been developed for the physician that is right down his alley, or more aptly in his ward, if it were not for its political connotation.

Lists of stamps showing medical personages and items of medical interest have appeared in the past few years in book form and philatelic magazines by reputable authors so the arduous research for and the planning of a collection need not deter the embryo medico-philatelist.

Nor will he find any difficulty in the narrowness of the field but rather in where to set his limits. If he confines it merely to those who have been practicing physicians he will overlook others who while more famous in other lines were equally bonafide members of the profession, and inadvertently omit others of the allied sciences, some of whom by their discoveries have long been considered physicians by the general public.

As the physician in his practice encounters all walks of life so will his collecting be tempted to branch into adjacent fields that have contributed much to the advancement of his profession. Statistically he will find that while there are 125 physicians and medical students portrayed, there are also 18 Chemists and Botanists, 31 Physicians and 19 Humanitarians and Sociologists. So far no dentists have been registered on stamps though one in South America may be due within the year.

When he has gathered the above number in his album the collector may be intrigued by numerous medical school buildings, hospitals and sanatoriums from all over the

world to say nothing of medical instruments, techniques, procedures and professional assemblies which have been honored by stamp issues.

By this time he may need a larger or second album if he wishes to take in all the nurses stamps from the original Roman wolf down to the more modern English foundress of the profession, named for the Italian city of her birth. From there it is an easy step to branch out on the unlimited child welfare issues, Red Cross, Lorraine Cross and Turkish Crescent issues and by way of good measure add the Tubercular semi-postals and Christmas seals to complete the collection.

The specialty is seemingly unlimited and unless allergic to the gum or printers ink he may continue into his retirement years by collecting those stamps that show the plants and other sources of drugs though they may be more alluring to the apothecary or corner druggist.

The cost of the entire collection, even in mint form, need not exceed the price of two appendices and a gallbladder from three average financially able patients if done before socialized medicine is fully established. Most of the items are readily available though a number of fine dealers may have to be contacted as they are as highly specialized as the medical profession.

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New Australian Stamp Shows King's Profile

On April 12, Australia will replace the current 2½d denomination with a new design featuring King George VI. It will be a bust portrait with the left profile of the king being shown.



Size will be the same as other stamps in the current regular postage series, as will the perforations and paper. The color is to be red.

On the left hand side of the design is a panel of leaves and flowers of the Australian red flowering gum tree.

First day covers will be serviced for those readers who might want them by Major R. C. Dettman, Supt. in Charge, Rifle Range, Swanbourne, West Australia. Remit with dollar bills and give instruction for what you want such as singles or blocks on cover, to be sent airmail etc.

Should there be any surplus funds remaining from the payment Major Dettman will use them on the next issue to appear.

Worthless Australian Stamps Sold Overseas

Police and postal officers are investigating the disappearance from the Government Printing Office in Melbourne of faulty stamps, thousands of which have been distributed in the last three years to stamp dealers and collectors abroad.

Most of the stamps were not properly perforated, and for this reason could not be issued officially, and should have been destroyed.

Philatelists say the stamps would be worthless to legitimate collectors and dealers, and the only buyers would either be undiscerning or dishonest.

Hundreds of the faulty stamps have already been found and confiscated. They include the shilling Lyre Bird stamp, the nine-penny Platypus, the four-penny Koala, and the twopence-halfpenny King George VI.

Hungary Issues Two Series Aimed At Topical Collectors; Argentina Discloses Stamps For Exhibition

On March 12, Hungary released two sets of stamps which without doubt are the most direct approach to the purses of Subject Matter or Topical collectors to date. One new set, said to be for regular postage, contains fourteen different designs, each of which can be fitted into one or more topical categories. Their theme is the selling of the current five year plan to the citizenry for the number 5 is quite prominent in the design. The second set, consisting of two stamps, marks the 20th anniversary of the Foundation of the Hungarian Philatelic Museum. Collectors of "Stamps on Stamps" will find that these will fill the bill to a T.

Four of the regular postage series were issued on January 1. The denominations were 10, 12, 20 and 40 fillers.



Designs and denominations of the set are: 8f gray, mechanized coal mining; 10f wine red, iron forge; 12f orange red, electrical power station; 20f emerald green, textile manufacturing; 30f violet, worker's culture; 40f soil brown, mechanized agriculture; 60f red, village cooperative store; 1f black and lilac, locomotive; 1.70f green and yellow, family at a beach; 2f Bordeaux and red, infantryman and tank; 3f yellow and lilac, engineers planning a project and 10f chestnut and dark brown, athletes.

Designer of the above stamps and the Museum commemorations was Sandor Legrady.



Denominations of the Museum stamps are a 60f for regular postage and a 2f for airmail. Both are bi-colors and are slightly larger than the regular issue described above. There will be an issue of 80,000 of each.

Both series were printed by the Hungarian State Printing Office by the latticed engraving method.

Argentina is preparing two series of stamps and souvenir sheets, one of which is a semi-postal issue, for issuance later on in 1950. According to H. G. Spanton, 1484 Calle Bolivar, Buenos Aires, Argentina, the surtax derived from the sale of the semi-postal set will be used to help defray the expenses of the International Philatelic Exhibition at Buenos Aires October 6 to 12.

The second set will be a commemorative issue to pay honor to Argentina's liberator, General Don Jose de San Martin on the Centenary of his death.

Denominations in the Philatelic Exhibition semi-postals are the following. Figures in parentheses are the quantities to be issued of each: 10 plus 10c (950,000); 45 plus 45c (450,000); 70 plus 70c

(250,000); 1 plus 1 Peso (50,000); 2.50 plus 2.50P (30,000) and 5 plus 5P (30,000). Total face value will be 19.50 Pesos.

The souvenir sheet made up of three stamps from those described above will have a 10 plus 10c, a 45 plus 45c and a 70 plus 70c for a total face value of 2.50 Pesos. There will be a total of 50,000 printed.

According to Mr. Spanton, the issue to honor San Martin will not be so limited in quantity. There will be a total of one half million complete sets with some of the denominations having many times this quantity printed. Included are a 10c, 20c, 25c, 50c, 75c, 1 and 2 Pesos. Face value of the seven stamps is 4.80 Pesos.

The souvenir sheet made up of the 10c, 20c, 50c and 75c of the above stamps will have a face value of 1.55 Pesos. There will be a total of 100,000 of the sheets.

Belgium on March 15 issued a set of three semi-postal stamps, the surtaxes from which will be devoted to three different organizations.

Denominations are an 80 plus 20c green, and 2.50f plus 50c red and a 4 plus 2f blue. Designs will picture coats of arms of the Belgian and British Armies, British Tanks at Hertrain and the Memorial to the British at Hertrain respectively.

Sharing in the profits from the sale of the stamps will be the Belgian-British Union, the St. Albert of Louvain Scientific Research Foundation and the Belgian National Committee to the UNAC.

At the end of April the stamps will go off sale, but their validity to prepay postage fees will remain until September 30, 1951.

Puzzling Yugoslav Overprint Translated

Collectors who have been wondering what meaning can be attributed to the stamps of Yugoslavia on which appears the overprint "VUJA-STT" now have the answer.

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Special first-trip cachets and cancellation stamps will be provided for each of the above-named post offices. Collectors desiring first-trip cancellations should send their covers properly prepared, with postage prepaid at the first-class rate and ready for mailing, to the postmaster at Fayetteville, W. Va., for trip 1 cancellations, and to the postmaster at Charleston, W. Va., for trip 2 cancellations. A clear space no less than 2 1/2 by 2 1/2 inches to the left on the address side of all covers must be left for application of the cachets.

The initial trip from Fayetteville to Charleston will be designated "Trip 1" and the initial trip from Charleston to Fayetteville will be designated "Trip 2."

Covers for first-trip cancellations should be sent under cover, or wrapper, to the appropriate postmaster with accompanying letter, or endorsement on wrapper, authorizing the holding of the covers for the first trip and requesting application of the cachet. No provision will be made for philatelic handling of covers to or from intermediate post offices along this route; however, at the request of collectors, covers receiving cachets will be directed to the outer terminus of the trip, and will there be backstamped and dispatched onward to destination.

All covers intended for first-trip cancellations should be in the hands of the appropriate postmaster at an early date, and not later than April 13, 1950. Covers received after April 13, 1950, will be returned to sender and will not be given first-trip treatment.

Urge Canadian PO Employees Cancel Lightly

The Canadian Post Office Department is trying to the best of its ability to cooperate with stamp and cover collectors. Evidence of this was contained in the March 4 edition of its weekly bulletin.

A warning contained therein read, "It has again been brought to the attention of the Department that postage stamps are in some cases—especially when affixed to parcels or packages—being cancelled by the rotary hand roller cancelling stamps in such a way as to entirely destroy their usefulness as philatelic specimens. 'In many instances the ink is supplied so generously that the cancellations are too heavy, or the stamps are smeared with ink by means of the back of the hand dating stamp. This mutilates and disfigures the stamps so as to render them unfit for philatelic purposes.

"While the Department wishes its revenues to be safeguarded beyond doubt at all times yet it is not desired that the stamps should be utterly defaced.

Postmasters and postal employees generally will please use discretion in this respect."

Rarity Provides Down Payment On New Home

Dame Fortune smiled broadly on an Australian stamp collector recently.

M. M. Klein of Kew is the lucky man. While looking through Mr. Klein's stamp collection some weeks ago dealer F. H. Feibes discovered that Mr. Klein had a very fine used copy of the 15c 1869 issue of the United States with inverted center.

Scott's Catalog lists this rarity as number 119b and gives it a catalog value of \$1750.00.

It was sold by Mr. Klein for approximately \$2100.00.

The money will be used by the Kleins as the down payment on a home since at the present time they are living in three rooms in an attic with their five year old twins.

Orange Blossom Cachet Given By Californians

A cachet will be applied to the prepared covers of collectors during the Annual Lindsay Orange Blossom Festival, Lindsay, Calif. It will take place on April 29, the covers to be postmarked on the same date.

In two colors, orange and green, collectors can add stamps to their covers which will harmonize with the cachet itself.

Prepared covers are to be sent to the Lindsay Orange Blossom Festival, Cachet Director, Chamber of Commerce, Lindsay, Calif. Deadline is April 15. Covers received after that time, or arriving postage due will not be accepted.

Three days in May, 11, 12 and 13, are going to be set aside by residents of Woodlake, Calif. for the annual Pioneer Roundup. A cachet, red in color, will be supplied to collectors by the merchant's committee.

To get it on their prepared covers, these must be sent to the Pioneer Roundup cachet, Woodlake, Calif. Deadline is April 20. Sendings received after that date or arriving postage due will not be accepted.

Prepared covers must have a name and address (kept to the right hand side of the envelope), a three cent stamp and have a stuffer enclosed.

Topical Philatelists Produce First Bulletin

First edition of the "Topicalist" official publication of the Topical Philatelists, Inc. was offered to the members of this growing organization in March.

It is edited by Ira Seebacher, who serves as the president of the club.

Other officers are vice presidents Wilfred Webster and Leonard Heim, Philip Silver treasurer and Joseph M. Wise, 108-14 65th Rd., Forest Hills, N. Y.

The group which is devoted to the collection of subject matter or topical stamps will have its next meeting at the Collectors Club, 22 E. 35th St., New York City on April 12 at 8 p. m.



BY KENNETH M. GIERHART
Baltimore, Ohio

TRENDS

It is peculiar to what ends collectors go when building a collection. One thing to strike me forcibly in recent days was when tabulating bids in a recent COPC auction. It was the fact that TOWN collectors bypassed good Defense and War Issue Towns and concentrated their bidding on the Presidentials.

Whenever I have cause to explain a TOWN collection I always say that one Precancel from each using Town in any Type, Denomination or Issue will fill the gap. Of course the hobby is built on just that thing, each to collect as he pleases.

I would be withholding information if I would not point out that it is NOT possible to get a Presidential precancel from every authorized precancel using town or even every one on lists as compiled by the various societies in recent months.

Each state has its dead towns and some of them used precancels. There are some towns that it would be impossible to even get a 1922 issue precancel from.

The span which each issue of stamps covered has seen precancel using towns come and go. Even the short span of time that the Defense issue was predominant saw some few towns use precancels never to have used them again. D. S. Kelly who compiled data for the long awaited OHIO catalog has mentioned this to me several times. The more of a handicap you put on any specialty or collection the more likely it is you will lose interest in it.

Whatever you collect be reasonable with yourself and get the most out of your hobby.

The Okapi is a native African animal found in the Congo and depicted on its stamps.

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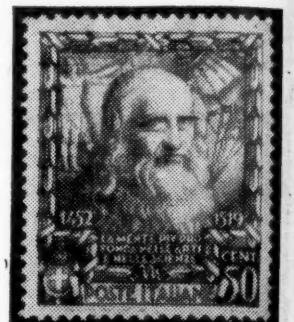
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In addition to these four issues, the Post Office Department has announced the program for the balance of the year 1950. A list of these is shown on this page. The Statue of Freedom stamp will be of 3c denomination, printed in blue and will be placed on first day sale at Washington, D. C. on April 20th. The denominations, dates of issue and places of first day sale will be announced later on the other eight stamps.

The California Statehood cachet, shown here, typifies the theme of the ARTCRAFT cachets for the other stamps to be issued.

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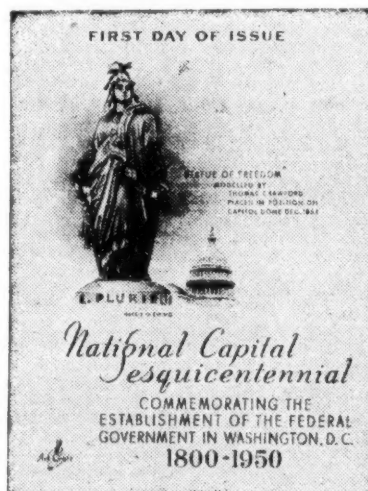
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FREEDOM STAMP
FIRST DAY - APRIL 20th
WASHINGTON, D. C.



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Condition Regulates Price

Our editorial of March 13th has brought several letters to our office, one of the most interesting and clearly stated of the lot being that from Mr. John C. Decker of Williamsport, Pa. Other letters cover the same general situation but the letter from Mr. Decker seems to put the matter in a light that all can understand and we therefore quote the letter from Mr. Decker. Here it is.

"I have read with much interest your leading editorial in the issue of March 13th, wherein you answer one puzzled subscriber with helpful suggestions as to proper disposal of duplicates in selling or trading. The rather fundamental nature of the problem bothering that reader has moved me to write to you concerning this matter of market price versus the latest Scott quotations.

"Scott prices the 5c 1847 at \$27.50 used. In this publication appears explanatory material suggesting that their figures are those at which informed sellers offer the stamp in 'fine' condition to informed buyers. H. E. H. Company announces that its own quotations are for 'good average' copies, and in a recent list they ask \$17.50 for that stamp. D. F. C. offers it in 'poor' condition for less than \$5.00, and in 'good' condition for \$6.95. I believe that I will probably order one of the latter class from him. Now of course there is one more class in between—that of 'very good', but that is a terrific spread for one skip in grade: \$6.95 to \$27.50. One might possibly conclude that D. F. C. might ask \$17.50 for a 'very good' copy from his stock, which H. E. H. would sell as average."

"It is all mighty confusing. Is it fair to conclude that Scott fixes its sights too high? Why ought they not quote \$17.50 in the catalog, and frankly state that higher prices are for very fine to superb copies?"

"Of course there can be little standard fixing with so many gradients. This business of 'poor', 'fair', 'good', 'very good', 'fine', 'very fine', and 'Superb' is almost an impossible thing to visualize."

Mr. Decker starts off by referring to the Scott price on a 5c 1847, but we doubt if Mr. Decker has read the paragraph under the head of CONDITION which is on the page headed SPECIAL NOTICES in both the regular catalogue and in the Specialized. We note with regret that these two paragraphs in the two catalogues are worded a bit differently which should not be the case. We quote the one from the Specialized catalogue.

"Prices refer to stamps in fine condition. In most instances extra fine copies bring higher prices. Also in most cases, unused stamps with full original gum sell for more than copies without gum or with partial gum. Prices given in this catalogue for unused stamps are for specimens which have at least part of the original gum, except, of course, those varieties which were issued without gum. Stamps with slight defects such as off-center, heavily canceled, faded or stained specimens are usually sold at large discounts. Damaged stamps, that is, those which are torn or mutilated or have serious thin spots, are not desired by advanced collectors and seldom bring more than a very small fraction of the price of a fine specimen."

Now we have the Scott explanation of prices. Just what explanation is used for the price basis H. E. H. or D. F. C. we shall not attempt to quote but it should be the same as is used by Scott. In fact this matter should be standard by all dealers. Therein lies one great fault. We lack a standard for the hobby. We need a standard for condition description and then we need a standard for terms that will cover different stages of condition. If dealers use different standards it is easy to understand how one can price a good copy at \$10.00 and another can price a good copy at \$5.00.

Considering the 5c 1847, Scott indicates that extremely fine copies command a higher price than the \$27.50 in their catalog and we have seen copies priced higher. Likewise we have seen copies priced all the way from \$5.00 to full catalogue. It is all a question of condition.

Mr. Decker should note that Scott prices the stamp at \$27.50 for fine condition. H. E. H. offers the stamp in good average condition at \$17.50 so there can be no comparison as the same standard of condition is not used by the two dealers, for basis price.

The whole matter seems to revolve around description of condition. If we could make an illustrated chart that would cover the various conditions of a stamp we might get this question settled to the advantage of both the dealer and the collector. If we start with the top quality it ought to be a simple matter to describe such a stamp. Let us try it.

Grade A or Top Quality. Consider the unused stamp first. It must have full gum without hinge marks, in effect just as issued if issued with gum. If issued without gum, hinges can readily be removed by soaking. If perforated, the perforations must all be cut cleanly from the stamp without ragged spots and the stamp must be centered about as perfect as it can be centered. It must not be torn or scraped on the surface in any manner. In effect it must be a perfect copy as turned out by the printer without any flaws of any nature due to lack of care in production.

If a cancelled copy it must be extremely lightly cancelled. Now if we can set up such a standard as the top quality, we ought to be able to build around such a quality and show stamps of less desirable quality, but I do not believe that we need any dozen different classes of condition as are too frequently found.

We will of course run up against that group of specialists who call our attention to the fact that what may be considered a fine copy in a modern stamp should not be used as a comparison for many early issues as too many of these that are now considered as fine are poor copies compared with current issues. We believe that if a condition grade can be established that it would cover the old as well as the new for to cover the old stamps which might show up in top condition as compared with new issues we need only to advance the basic price on those old fellows to meet the top condition standard. The other grades of condition would then adjust themselves.

Then instead of Scott saying that a stamp of a certain grade sells far below a fine copy, Scott could settle the matter by indicating that if fine is worth \$10.00, then good is worth \$7.00; fair is worth \$4.00 and poor is worth \$1.50. This could be worked on a percentage of discount basis. If we get a set of condition rules that will permit anyone to grade a stamp into one of the condition classes then we ought have no trouble in judging prices quoted by any dealer for it would be required that all offers be based on the standard condition grading.

This is a problem. It is a vital problem and if worked out by any recognized body of philatelists would be one of the greatest accomplishments that has ever been done for the hobby.

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Book Tells About The Famous Americans

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The book's contents appeared originally in serial form in the "American Philatelist" official publication of the Society. Because of reader demand to have this series of articles appear in a more permanent form, the present book was printed.

Author is George C. Hahn of Cleveland, Ohio, prominent collector and philatelic writer.

The book is chiefly intended to provide the story behind each of the stamps in a manner appealing to the average collector rather than a specialized technical review of the series.

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Collectors will find that here in this one volume is compiled all the data about the Famous Americans which if sought otherwise would take a tremendous amount of time and research not usually available to the average stamp fan.

Consisting of 192 pages bound between stiff covers, the book sells for \$2.50. It is obtainable at the address above.

Prepares Album Kit For Freedom Stamp

Those popular album kits which George M. Hammond, P. O. Box 362, Hornell, N. Y. has been preparing for the commemorative stamps of the past will have an addition with the forthcoming Freedom commem of April 20.

Included in the kit are an album piece which reproduces in color a photograph of the National Capitol and gives a historical sketch about it and the Freedom Statue which is mounted on its dome and which will occupy the design of the stamp.

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April 1 and remain for the in-
spection of visitors until 5 p. m.
Sunday April 2.

Sponsored by the McKinley
Stamp Club of Canton at the
Onesto Hotel, it is the 19th annual
stamp show of the group.

Besides the members of the
home club, exhibits will also be
entered by members of the Tim-
ken Stamp Club and the Massillon
(Ohio) Stamp Club. Competition
will be for several trophies in-
cluding a grand award, a best
United States, a best foreign and
for a SPA Research Certificate.

Precancel fans will have a ses-
sion all of their own during the
show made possible for them by
the McKinley Stamp Club. It will
also convene in the Onesto Hotel
on Saturday April 1.

Other attractions include the
Post Office Department's travel-
ing stamp exhibit and an auction
at 3 p. m. on Saturday afternoon.
Twenty dealers will be represent-
ed on the bourse.

A philatelic breakfast is sched-
uled for the Onesto Hotel at 9:30
a. m. Sunday morning to which
all interested persons are invited.

General chairman of the affair
is Jack C. Biris. Honorary chair-
man is W. G. Saxton.

Attendance at the show which
has no admission charge should
be spurred by the many atten-
dance prizes which the club offers.

Will Expand HPO Service In California

Mail delivery in the Los An-
geles, Calif. area is going to be
speeded considerably when the
post office completes certain im-
provements there. Under con-
sideration is the construction of a
loading dock at the terminal an-
nex costing nearly one million
dollars.

Also to be added to the service
are more HPO trucks which will
take over most of the mail hand-
ling now carried by the Pacific
Electric mail service.

The buses can do the job cheap-
er and can have the mail sorted
ready for distribution at the ter-
minal point, where now it is sort-
ed after arrival there. It is ex-
pected that the new setup will speed
mail delivery by 24 hours.

Three new HPO routes are con-
templated for the very near fu-
ture with one of them operating
along the east side of the San
Joaquin Valley between Fresno
and Bakersfield.

The Fresno-Bakersfield route,
to open in April, will serve San-
ger, Reedley, Dinuba, Visalia, Ex-
eter, Wasco and Shafter. It will
leave Fresno daily at 6 a. m. and
arrive at Bakersfield at 11:45 a. m.
Return from Bakersfield starts at
3 p. m. with the arrival back at
Fresno at 9:45 p. m.

It has been said by a Post Of-
fice Department official that HPO
service has been found highly
successful in practically all parts
of the nation. In a number of in-
stances, it is planned to make use
of HPO buses rather than current
railway facilities, for speed and
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Lithuania Society Exhibition, April 1, 2

The Fourth Annual Exhibition
of the "Lithuania" Philatelic So-
ciety will open on Saturday, April
1, at 1:00 p. m. at the Gage Park
Fieldhouse, 2415 W. 55th Street,
Chicago, Ill.

A number of outstanding tro-
phies will be awarded winners in
the various classifications. One of
the choicest will be presented by
Ignatius Sakalas, organizer of the
"Lithuania" Philatelic Society, for
the best exhibit of stamps of
Lithuania. The trophy is a replica
of the Knight of Lithuania.

A specially designed seal will be
issued. These may be obtained by
sending a stamped-addressed en-
velope and ten cents to Miss Eve
A. Lukas, Exhibition Chairman,
7011 South Artesian Avenue, Chi-
cago 29, Ill.

The Exhibition will close Sun-
day, April 2, 1950, 8:00 p. m.

Waterlow & Sons of London,
England printed Chinese stamps.

DID-YA-KNO

'TIS SAID

by "S. Q. LAPIUS"

1. That the first three kings
shown on stamps who were cano-
nized are Stephen of Hungary
(A30); Wenceslaus of Czechoslo-
vakia (A30) and Olaf of Norway
(A19).

2. That Belgian stamps most
frequently portray the legend of
St. Martin of Tours and the beg-
gar to whom he gave part of his
cloak.

3. That Jan E. Purkyne or Pur-
kinje shown on the A76 design of
Czechoslovakia was both a G-man
and an A-man. He is reported as
a cleric but no record of parish as-
signment appears. He was also
something of a physician and a
physiologist. He was definitely
the founder of the present scien-
tific method of finger print classi-
fication and coined the word
"Protoplasm."

4. That France issued a stamp
(A96) commemorating the third
centenary of the philosopher
Rene Descartes. The engraver of
the design incorrectly gave the
title of his work as "Discours sur
la methode" which a later issue
of the design corrected to "Dis-
cours de la methode."

5. That the medallion portraits
in the right upper corner of the
A68 design or Propaganda Fidei
issue of Italy differ on each of the
four values of the set as do the
emblems in the lower right cor-
ner. The upper corner portraits
represent four famous members
of four Religious Orders whose
corresponding emblems or coats
of arms appear in the lower right
corners.

6. That the Panama stamp de-
sign A32 shows the famous flat
arch in the Santo Domingo Mon-
astery, at one time, if not still,
known as the longest unsupported
structure of its kind.

7. That the last home of the
man who wrote "Treasure Island"
and "Puer et Puerisque" and other
novels of interest appears on
the A28 and 29 designs of the
stamps of Samoa. (See below).

8. That the man shown on
United States stamp design A284
held the greater number of elec-
toral votes the first time he ran
for President but was defeated by
the vote in the House of Repre-
sentatives. Four years later he
ran again and won and also was
re-elected. (See below).

9. That the United States Pres-
ident who is shown on the A55
stamp design of Paraguay was
not elected by the electoral vote
but by a commission created by
Congressional act. (See below).

10. That the wife of the Pres-
ident shown on United States
stamp design A278 was also the
mother of a United States Pres-
ident of the same name.

7. He was Robert Louis Steven-
son.

8. This was Andrew Jackson.

9. He was president Rutherford
B. Hayes.

10. Mrs. John, Adams, mother
of John Quincy Adams.

Monument Committee Offers Voortrekker Issue

Collectors of Union of South
Africa stamps will be interested to
know that the Voortrekker Monu-
ment Committee has reported that
it holds stocks of the 1933 and
1938 Voortrekker commemorative
issues.

These stamps have been placed
on sale and priced at approxima-
tely one third catalog. Also offered
by the committee are these same
stamps on cover used in 1938 and
1949.

While it is quite obvious that
the Committee laid in large stocks
of the above stamps when they
were issued, it is the opinion of
South African stamp dealers that
the release of such holdings will
not seriously affect the permanent
value of the stamps.

Collectors interested in secur-
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The fourteen envelopes are all addressed to Miss Susan Julia Mayer, one under her marriage name of Mrs. William Campbell Hamilton.

Twelve of the envelopes are the 5c with signature, "PAID" and "5" in blue on buff, one is similar but on salmon—a smaller envelope and the fourteenth is a 10c rate on buff with signature, "PAID" and one "5" in red and the second "5" in blue.

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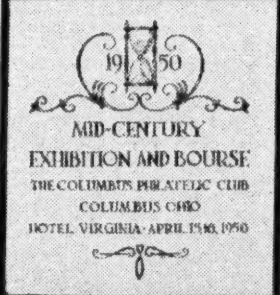
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Since the announcement of three commems to mark the sesquicentennial of the establishment of the federal government in Washington, D. C. collectors have offered several suggestions about this issue.

The three branches of the government are to be recognized, Legislative, Executive and Judicial on each of the three stamps respectively. Along with the Freedom stamp scheduled for April 20, the four are all to note the 150th anniversary.

Stamp fans are hoping that the Post Office Department will see fit to make a small four stamp set out of them. Inasmuch as the Freedom stamp will be a three center, it is hoped that the other three will be something like 1, 5c and 6c (airmail) or 10c. Those rates will take care of domestic first class, postal cards, foreign first class and airmail (domestic). The 10c would fit in well as a parcel post item.

The set would then be 1c, 3c, 5c and 6c or (10c). It is hoped too, that designs will be more inspiring than pictures of the Capitol, White House and Supreme Court Building. There are several historical sound incidents for each of the three branches of the government which could be used to portray the functions of each.

1. Who was the president when the seat of the federal government was moved to Washington, D. C. in 1800? What denomination of the Presidential series carries his picture?

2. The man who was vice president of the United States at that time is also pictured in the Presidential series. Who was he and on what denomination does he appear?

R. A. Horrocks, secretary of the Ashtabula (Ohio) Stamp Club did a little researching relative to first day cities. It is rather enlightening in a lot of respects and indicates why because of the scarcity of first days various communities put up quite a battle for them.

According to Mr. Horrocks' summation, a total of 194 different cities have been named as first day cities. Of that amount, 153 of them have been named once, 15 of them twice, 12 of them three times and 5 of them four times.

Designated more than four times are Washington, D. C. (55); New York (20); Chicago (10); Philadelphia (8); Boston (8); Annapolis (6); Savannah (5); West Point, N. Y. (5) and Cambridge (5).

Easy to see is the fact that the bulk of the first day ceremonies have been held along the eastern coast and in the eastern states. While this is understandable from the fact that the country was established in the East and expanded westward giving many historically commemorated events to the Atlantic side of the nation, it still is much too top heavy.

There are stamps issued which could just as well be given a first day farther west than in Washington, D. C.

If for instance a stamp is issued which has no local tie-in why not select a city name from a container in which are all the cities of the United States from which no first day was ever held? The Department has done lots sillier things than that and it might make some of us folks not in the east feel that we belong philatelically.

Well?

Recent cachet notices coming to the office appear to be using

the suggestion given here recently by Mrs. C. H. Elder of Olney, Ill., that of announcing the color of a cachet, or using a stamp to match the cachet when both are supplied by the same club or person.

A fine example is the cover produced by the Whaling City Philatelic Society of New Bedford, Mass., and a sample of which was sent to me through the courtesy of Mrs. Almira Hillman, the club's cachet director. The cachet was in a dark green, the green Bankers stamp paid the postage and the names and addresses were typed on the covers in green ink!

It makes a very attractive cover.

The folks down in Chillicothe, Ohio, which was the state's first capital, are neck deep in plans relative to the sesquicentennial of Ohio's becoming a member of the federal family in 1803.

Already designed are several stamp themes which the citizens hope are accepted and used when the big year occurs in 1953.

Because the Bureau of Engraving and Printing at Washington produces the stamps for the Canal Zone and because the United States government is otherwise interested in the affairs of this vital part of the world, a reader wants to know what is the actual set up as far as this country is concerned.

To begin with, the Canal Zone is not a territory or possession of the United States. It is a strip of land through which flows the Panama Canal and which is leased from the Republic of Panama.

There are approximately 550 square miles in the Zone, all of which extends for several miles on either side of the 40 miles of the Canal itself.

The president of the United States is charged with the government of the Panama Canal and the Canal Zone. This responsibility he has delegated to the Secretary of War who is the actual administrator of affairs.

While the zone has a civil government, this same government is supervised by the commander of the United States troops stationed there.

It has its own postal administration and its own stamps. The stamps are in dollars and cents and are otherwise similar in value and validity to issues of the United States proper.

There is a Philatelic Agency which sells stamps to collectors at face. It is under the jurisdiction of the Postmaster, Balboa Heights, Canal Zone who will send a copy of a list of the stamps which he has for sale on request.

First day covers are usually serviced from this office as well when new Canal Zone stamps are released.

A reader wants to know what is meant by the term encased postage stamps. Since I suspect that he has never seen any or does not own a Scott Specialized United States Catalog where they are listed and illustrated on page 391 to 394, I'll try to explain in a few words.

During the Civil War people did an awful lot of hoarding of metal coins because not too much confidence was placed in the paper money of the time. They felt that the metal would always be worth something even not as a coin while the paper money might be something just to light a cigar with depending on the solvency of the government.

So the small coins were hoarded, and consequently it was extremely difficult for merchants to make change for purchases.

A patent by J. Gault in 1862 relieved the pressure somewhat when he brought out the idea of the encased postage stamps. Stamps of denominations ranging from 1c to 90c, and then current, were placed in discs about the

size of the present half dollar. The discs were all thin metal except the front which was a clear mica insert.

Inside the disc and under the mica was a postage stamp of a certain denomination. The back of the disc, which was metal, generally bore the advertising and the address of the firm which sponsored the "coins." Thus if there was a 3c stamp enclosed (stamps were mint in all cases), the coin served as a three cent piece.

While rather plentiful during the war, these items have gotten into the scarce category where they command a price up in the dollars.

1. John Adams, second president of the United States who is shown on the 2c denomination.
2. He was Thomas Jefferson pictured on the 3c value.

Recall Israel Holiday Commemorative Stamps

To receive a greeting card on the proper occasion with a stamp that expresses the same sentiment is not only very appropriate but very thoughtful of the Postal Administration in providing such a stamp. But as Robert Burns once said, there are times when the best laid plans of mice and men go astray.

Such an incident took place recently in Israel, when a bereaved husband, who was mourning the loss of his beloved wife received a condolence card franked with a stamp which featured the words "Joyous Holidays" as part of its design. According to the Israeli press the incensed recipient of the condolence card wrote a letter of complaint to his local newspaper and stated that in his particular case there was nothing joyous about losing his wife.

The other papers picked up the story and criticized the postal authorities for selling such stamps after the holidays to the unsuspecting public.

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154	#350 4c Coll Perf 12—VF mint Pair	15.00
155	#350 4c Coll Perf 12—VF mint NH Line Pair	18.50
156	#351 5c Coll Perf 12 Hor. Fine to VF mint	12.00
157	#351 5c Coll Perf 12—VF mint Line Pair	27.50
158	#350-51 4c-5c Colls Perf 12—VF mint	19.50
159	#352-53 1c-3c Colls—Fine Mint	8.50
160	#352 1c Coll Perf 12 Ver. VF mint NH Pair—2mm.	8.00
161	#354 4c Coll Perf 12—VF mint NH	8.00
162	#354 4c Blue Paper—Fine mint	7.50
163	#358 8c Blue Paper—VF mint Guaranteed	750.00
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199	#420 30c Orange Red Perf 12—VF mint	6.00
200	#420 30c Orange Red Perf 12—VF mint	6.00
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202	#424-433 1c-10c Perf 10 S. L. Fine mint	16.10
203	#426B 3c Reddish Violet Perf 10 Fine mint blk.	4.75
204	#428 5c Blue—Perf 10 VF mint NH Plate blk 6 Top #7338	10.00
205	#428 5c Blue—Perf 10 S. L. VF mint NH blk.	5.50
206	#431 5c Olive Green Perf 10 Fine mint blk of 4	10.00
207	#431 5c Salmon Red VF mint NH blk.	9.00
208	#433 10c Orange Yellow VF mint NH blk.	9.00
209	#433 10c Orange Yellow Perf 10 Fine to VF mint blk 4	8.00
210	#436A 12c Copper Red SUPERB mint NH	4.00-1
211	#436A 12c Copper Red Fine mint Top Plate single #6913	4.00
212	#437 15c Grey Perf 10—Fine mint Slight tropical stains on perfs	7.50
213	#437 15c Grey Perf 10—Fine mint Slight tropical stains on perfs	7.50
214	#438 20c Ultramarine Perf 10, Fine mint, slight tropical stains on perfs	7.50
215	#439 30c Orange Red—Perf 10 Fine mint	13.50
216	#440 50c Violet Perf 10 Fine to VF mint	45.00
217	#440 50c Violet Perf 10 Fine mint slight tropical stains on perfs	45.00
218	#441-443 1c-3c Colls Perf 10 Ver. and Hor. Fine to VF mint NH pairs	5.50
219	#442-443 1c-2c Colls VF mint NH Line Pairs.	6.50
220	#441-444 1c-2c Colls Perf 10 Fine to VF mint NH pairs	13.30
221	#444 2c Coll Perf 10 VF mint NH Line pair.	9.00
222	#444 2c Coll Perf 10 Ver. Fine to VF mint NH Line pr.	9.00
223	#445 3c Violet Coll Perf 10 Fine to VF mint Pair.	20.00
224	#446 3c Coll Perf 10 VF mint	20.00
225	#446 3c Brown—Coll Perf 10 Ver. Fine mint	8.75
226	#460 1.00 Violet Black Perf 10 Fine mint	40.00
227	#461 2c Perf 11 VF mint NH	7.50
228	#461 2c Carmine Perf 11, VF mint single	7.50
229	#461 2c Carmine Perf 11, VF mint NH blk.	32.50
230	#461 2c Carmine Perf 11, SUPERB used blks of 4	5.50
231	#462 3c Violet Coll Perf 10 No wmk. Fine mint	25.00
232	#464 3c Violet Perf 10, VF mint blk of 4, NH	25.00
233	#471 9c Salmon Red—VF mint NH blk.	9.00
234	#475 15c Grey Perf 10—Fine to VF mint NH blk.	45.50
235	#475 15c Grey Perf 10—Fine to VF mint NH blk.	45.50
236	#475 15c Grey Perf 10—Fine to VF mint NH blk.	45.50
237	#475 15c Grey Perf 10—Fine to VF mint NH blk.	45.50
238	#476 20c Ultramarine—Fine mint	12.00
239	#477 50c Violet—VF mint slight tropical stains on perfs	75.00
240	#477 50c Violet—Fine mint slight tropical stains on perfs	75.00
241	#480 5.00 Green Perf 10—Fine to VF mint	16.00
242	#480 5.00 Green Perf 10—Fine to VF mint	16.00
243	#480 5.00 Light Green Perf 10—Fine mint NH Top Plate single #8016	16.00
244	#490 1c Green Fine mint VF Pair Imperf.	60.00
245	#501F 3c Violet Type I, JF—Fine mint Plate booklet pane of 6—#8449	—
246	#514 15c Grey—1917 Iss. Fine to VF mint NH blk of 4.	16.00
247	#518B 1c Deep Brown—VF mint	27.50
248	#518B 1.00 1917 Perf 11, Deep Brown—Fine mint blk of 4	110.00
249	#519 2c Carmine Perf 11, VF mint NH blk.	20.00
250	#519 2c Carmine Perf 11, VF mint NH blk.	20.00
251	Oct. 12, 1917-2 days after, First Day of Iss.	50.00
252	#519 2c Carmine Perf 11, VF used	16.00
253	#529F 3c Offset Double Print—Fine mint copy.	8.00
254	#531-35 1c-3c Offset Imperf—Fine mint set cpl.	7.50
255	#536 1c Rosaback Perf 12 1/2 Fine to VF mint NH blk 4.	9.00
256	#537A 3c Red Violet Victory Iss. JF mint copy.	15.00
257	#537 3c Red Violet Victory Iss. JF mint copy.	15.00
258	#539 2c Perf 11x10 JF to Fine mint Plate blk #8928-830	8.00
259	#542 1c Perf 10x11—JF mint plate blk 6 Left side #11739	13.50
260	#550 5c Pilgrim, JF mint top plate 6 #12426 Freak Pfs	37.50
261	#554A 2c Carmine Type I, VF mint Hor. Pair Imperf Ver.	35.00
262	#566 15c Flat Plate VF mint NH blk.	5.00
263	#571 1.00 1922 Flat VF mint blk of 4.	11.00
264	#581-613 2c Harding Perf and Imperf. Fine mint cpl. 3 diff.	22.50
265	#614-616 1c-5c Walloon fine mint set cpl.	4.45</

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965	#15, 17, 20-Monaco-JF to Fine mint copies.	10.25	1143	#2 Tobago-3p Blue-Fine mint	8.50	1329	#151 Abyssinia-1sg on 8g-45 Fine mint copies.	13.50
966	#198-202, B93, C14-15, CB6 Monaco-Roosevelt-iss. Postage	10.00	1144	#21 Transvaal-1p Brown-Fine mint	4.00	1330	#268-272 Abyssinia-1sg on 8g-45 Fine mint copies.	13.50
967	#161-68 Monaco-Fine mint set complete	7.04	1145	#21A Trinidad-1p Brown-Fine mint	4.00	1331	#347-49 Afghanistan-15p-125af-11 Fine mint cpl. sets.	20.00
968	#1-2, 6 Montserrat-Fine to VF, #2 used Bal. mint	6.20	1146	#21B Trinidad-1p Purple Brown-Superb mint OG	17.50	1332	#178 Argentina Rep. 5c Roosevelt-275 Fine mint cpl. sets.	13.00
969	#2 Montserrat-6p VF used	8.50	1147	#21C Trinidad-1p Purple Brown-Superb mint OG	17.50	1333	#178 Australia-58h. 88 fine used copies.	10.00
970	#2A Montserrat-Fine used as 3p, tied on piece	5.00	1148	#21D Trinidad-1p Purple Brown-Fine used	8.00	1334	#218 Australia-58h. 88 fine used copies.	10.00
971	#2B Montserrat-2 1/2 Silver Jubilee-VF mint	3.00	1149	#21E Trinidad-1p Purple Brown-Fine used	8.00	1335	#218 Australia-58h. 88 fine used copies.	10.00
972	#31-34 Nauru-Silver Jubilee-VF mint	3.00	1150	#21F Trinidad-1p Purple Brown-Fine used	8.00	1336	#218 Australia-58h. 88 fine used copies.	10.00
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974	#111 Newfoundland-Fine used set cpl.	4.75	1152	#21H Trinidad-1p Purple Brown-Fine used	8.00	1338	#218 Australia-58h. 88 fine used copies.	10.00
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ALGERIA: Three attractive bi-colors have been received picturing Algerian fruit. There is a 20fr. maroon and green showing grapes, a 25fr. dark brown, light brown and green showing dates and a 40fr. dark brown, orange and green showing oranges.

ANGOLA: A three value set honoring a philatelic exhibition has been issued. The stamp pictures the first stamps issued by the colony in 1870 (Scott's type A1) with an explanatory label at the bottom. Denominations are 50c green, 1ag. red brown and 4ags. black.

BELGIUM: Three new parcel post stamps have been received. These are 11fr. orange showing a mail clerk weighing a parcel, a 13fr. Prussian green showing parcels being sorted and 16fr. gray showing parcels being loaded in a boxcar.

BRAZIL: A 60c rose marks the 100th anniversary of the birth of Cardinal Arcoverde. The stamp is printed by off set process on watermarked paper.

CHINA: A four value set has just been received with inscriptions and denominations all in Chinese characters.

There is a green stamp showing an airplane in flight, an orange stamp showing a steam locomotive, a red violet stamp showing a special delivery messenger on a motorcycle and a red stamp showing a mountain scene.

We are unable to tell the denominations of these stamps since they are expressed in Chinese figures.

DENMARK: A new 75 ore has been issued in the king's head design. The color is red violet.



HAITE: The 200th anniversary of Port au Prince has been received. There is a 10c postage value in large upright format. The major portion of this stamp is dark red and in the center of it is a coat of arms in red, green,

brown, blue and yellow.

There are two airmails, a 30c blue and gray showing Columbus and a 1 gourde black showing President Estime. The stamps were printed by Waterlow & Sons.



ROMANIA: A five value set just received honors Mihail Eminescu. Each of the stamps has a face value of 11 lei but only one of them looks like a postage stamp. This is a blue stamp showing a portrait of Eminescu.

The four other values are printed in rather indistinct colors and the design runs all the way to the perforation on every stamp. There is a light red violet showing a woman waving a flag with a battle scene in the background, a purple showing a seated woman and at the left a castle and a horse and carriage.

There is a green stamp showing a medieval Saracen warrior camp and there is also a reddish brown showing a man on a cliff making a speech.

With this variety of subjects, a much better looking set of stamps than this could have been produced.

SAN MARINO: Two new values have been added to the bi-colored set showing landscapes and views of the Republic. These are a 20 lire blue and sepia and a 55 lire blue and green.

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This weeks column is being written from the New York Hall of Science, prior to the opening of "THE UNIVERSAL POSTAGE STAMP SHOW," and tremendous collector and dealer activity is centering in and around Times Square.

Plate Blockers should take note of the theme of this show. It deals with a slogan which is of the utmost importance to the United States. The slogan reads "FIFTY IN FIFTY," which is propaganda for statehood for Hawaii and Alaska giving us 50 Stars in 1950.

Of course if Statehood is voted for these two territories then we certainly can look forward to special stamps in honor of the occasion and this naturally will give Plate Blockers more Plate Positions to shoot for.

At any rate it is of the utmost importance to our security that these two territories be given Statehood and I would like to use the medium of this column to impress my readers that it is essential they write their congressman urging him to vote Statehood for Hawaii and Alaska.

Plate block positions of issues such as Iwo Jima, 3c and 5c Roosevelt, World War II Service issues, Iowa Statehood, Smithsonian through Wisconsin, seem to be taking an awful drop in the New York City market. This was to be expected inasmuch as every Tom, Dick and Harry and his brother were speculating in these issues and of course they are now flooding the market with tens of thousands of positions of these issues.

This should serve as a warning to anyone desiring to invest in any one issue. You can never tell but that hundreds of others may be doing the same thing at the same time.

Several have written to me asking why so much emphasis is placed on the block collector of plate numbers and not the collector of plate singles. Frankly there is no difference between the two types of collectors outside of the physical appearance or size. As I have always advocated a plate number collector is one who collects his stamps with margin attached wherein a plate number appears. It does not matter what size block one collects.

The popular term used universally is Plate Block Collector when referring to a plate number collector and it is only natural that I use that term although I am not in direct reference to the collector who saves his plate number in blocks of four.

This brings us to another point which is the relative value of the plate single to the plate block. This is somewhat of a difficult subject when we begin to make such comparisons of the scarcer and rarer plate numbers and or positions. I should say that the more common plates rate an average of one third of the block of four value for the plate single value. On the other hand plate singles of the tough plate numbers could very well be as valuable as a block. Naturally not of the same value.

As an example let us assume that there is just one plate number single and one plate number block, both are of the same plate number and same position and both are the only known existing positions. It would only be natural that these two positions bring about the same premiums. The plate block of four being a bit more valuable because of the extra stamps.

On the other hand in an issue like Poe or Bankers where there are thousands upon thousands of plate blocks or plate singles available then the basic comparison of the plate single to the plate block should be no more than one third.

Another wonderful example of comparing a plate number single to a block is that of a recent occurrence when a plate single of that toughest Plate Number 22176 of the 20c Presidential appeared on the market. This plate single was reputed to have been sold for about \$500.00 and a larger block sold at a price not much higher.

In conclusion I would like to state that it is the privilege of the collector to obtain his plate numbers in any shape form or man-

ner that he desires and he can be assured that at all times his holdings will always hold the same interest to any other stamp collector.

Suggests Scott Revise Ifni Stamp Listings

The Scott Catalog's listing of the stamps of Ifni, Spanish possession, for the first time in the 1950 edition is open to some criticism in part states Carlos Lenze, authority on stamps of Spain and colonies, of Madrid, Spain.

Ifni is not to be considered a colony of Spain but is a possession over which the country maintains sovereignty.

According to Mr. Lenze only the regular issues listed by Scott as numbers 1 to 32 inclusive are genuine, and the airmails from C30 to C39. The Express stamp E1 is also a legitimate item.

The airmails listed by Scott from C1 to C29 have no official status claims Mr. Lenze. They appeared in the years of the Civil War when no stamps existed in the Ifni possession, and because of the shortness of time no issues were made available there.

None of the stamps between C1 and C29 can ever be found on genuine private or commercial covers. The stamps were not sold in the post office. Their origin is supposed to have been with an "inspired philatelist" who saw the opportunity of making money. Genuine used copies do not exist any more than bona fide mint ones.

Another error is in the listing of No. 28 which is given as issued in 1948 and C38 and C39 without dates. Mr. Lenze says that all three stamps appeared on November 28, 1947, and that there are first day covers in the hands of a number of collectors to prove this point.

Albion Club Prepares Exhibition Souvenir

On April 22, the Albion (Mich.) Stamp Club will sponsor its Sixth Annual Exhibition and Bourse at the Parker Inn in that city.

Included in the displays will be all postage stamps issued by the United States from 1847 to date, plus a good showing of foreign material.

As a memento of the event, the club has prepared a souvenir sheet on which are to be affixed a block of four Albion precanceled stamps. These are available to all collectors at 15c each.

Requests for the souvenir sheet or further information about the show can be gotten from the club's president, Marceline Edger, 603 Burr Oak St., Albion, Mich.

Dedication Cachet For Chatham, N.J. Post Office

On April 1, 1950, a new and enlarged post office will be opened and dedicated at Chatham, New Jersey.

To celebrate the occasion a special cachet will be applied to all collector's covers dispatched on that date.

Covers to receive this cachet, must be stamped, addressed and ready to go, and may be sent to Frank Goebel, P. O. Box 84, Chatham, New Jersey.

Sufficient room should be allowed on the left hand portion of the envelopes for the application of the cachet. Envelopes should bear 3c postage for first class, or 6c postage for air mail.

In 1919, Bulgaria issued a commemorative stamp to celebrate the liberation of Macedonia.

STATE REVENUE

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DELAWARE. In 1943 the State of Delaware used Cigarette decals (1c brown, 2c blue and 5c yellow) to collect a cigarette tax. In about 1945 the tax was repealed but the stamps were saved. And for a good reason, as now becomes evident. This tax has been voted back into exist-

tence and the same stamps again came into use on July 1 of last year!

In addition stamps were issued for a cigar tax in the following values: 2c, 5c, 25c, 50c \$1 and \$2. All have the value in black, the serial numbers in red and the main colors are respectively, light brown, green, brown, blue, magenta and orange. The 2c and 5c stamps are 2x1" and the others 3x1" in size.

The state refuses to sell any of these stamps to anyone other than licensed dealers.

KANSAS. H. S. Dickey tells us the following story about the first Cigarette stamps of this state:

Some local youngsters picked up about 100 of these 2c stamps and brought them to Mr. Dickey, knowing that he was a stamp dealer and often bought stamps. Mr. Dickey humored the kids and bought the stamps for a small sum. Then, thinking that the stamps would be common as dirt, he calmly tossed them into the fire and destroyed all of them.

Stamps of this design are pretty common today and the 2c value lists at only 10c each in the State Revenue catalog, but the catch is that these stamps were on green paper instead of the white paper listed in the catalog.

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Incidentally Kansas has another new design in her prolific Cigarette stamp issues. This one is arranged vertically with the sunflower at the left and value at right under "Kansas". Mitchner's signature and the usual wording take up the balance of the design beneath the foregoing. The stamp is green, 11x14 1/2 in size, black rouletted 8 horizontally. I have seen the same stamp in red.

COLORADO. Colorado's three values of liquor stamps now come without the two line above and below the position number. They will soon appear with Baker's signature, so these may be very scarce.

ARKANSAS. D. R. Morley now has his signature on the Arkansas Beer and Wine stamps as the Commissioner of Revenues. We have the Beer stamps as follows: 102539 red, 17578125 brown, 3515625 blue and 46875 black. All are in the usual design and with black roulette 9 1/2 on two or three sides. The only "Morely" Imported Wine stamp I have seen to date is the .09375 black on pale blue.

GEORGIA. Musgrove's signature has appeared on the following Georgia stamps: Liquor-6 1/2c and 12 1/2c. Wine 12 1/2c. Phillips signature was on all of the Liquor stamps until recently. The 1c Wine stamp recently appeared, with Thompson's signature, in black and pale old rose.

NORTH CAROLINA. D. S. Coltrane is the new signature on the 5/16c and 1/4c North Carolina Feed Stamps in the usual design and colors.

ALABAMA. A new safety card is in use for the decal stamp of Alabama. This design has no signature, but has a large "1947" at the point of a "piece-of-pie" shaped design containing three lines of wording. James Seville

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Among the physicians on stamps of the world we find the discoverers of the bacilli of Tuberculosis, Leprosy and Plague; one who used the first recorded anesthetic in surgery; another discovered the cause of puerperal sepsis. Two physicians appear who respectively coined the words "placenta praevia" and "gas" but the philosopher who gave us the term "rectum" appears in name only on the stamp of a famous Cardinal.

Other strictly medical items show one who gave his name to an aqueduct and a fissure of the brain while another better known as a poet perpetuated his name in two bones of the skull. An adjoining country shows one whose name indicates a facial angle.

A physician shown on a Scandinavian country's stamp first isolated Bili-verdin, first used electrical currents in chemical investigations and introduced the use of letters as symbols for elements; one from the Mediterranean section introduced the use of Iodine in preoperative fields. Austria in an excellent issue shows among others the originator of the percussion technique of the thorax but the inventor the stethoscope remains obscure on a seal stamp not required for postage.

In civic fields we find stamp physicians who were heads of the following countries; — Bolivia, China, Colombia, Costa Rica (2); Guatemala, Honduras, Lithuania, Panama, Poland, Portugal and Salvador. While two physicians were Postmasters of their countries it may be noted that several have held, appropriately perhaps, the title of Ministers of the Interior.

One Catholic priest and one Bishop have also been accredited physicians no doubt as an aid in their missionary travels and explorations of the New World. The stamps showing the former were destroyed by the communistic riot in Colombia in 1948 and the later issue did not show the watermark of its predecessor. Others like Anchieta evidently had medical training judging by their reports and writings on diseases observed.

Several medicos on stamps were royal physicians to rulers who shaped the destiny of world history and who no doubt took medical advice better than did King Asa. One doctor held a title of royalty as did one sociologist while among the botanists we find both a king and an admiral of no mean ability.

That physicians on stamps were talented in diverse fields is evident from the fact that one is the reputed author of the oldest medical book in the world—the Ebers Papyrus—while another designed the chart that Columbus used to cross the Atlantic.

At a later date we find one who introduced the culture of rubber into Indo-China and from behind the Iron Curtain an ophthalmologist who gave an international language to the world in the interest of peace. Ten of the scientific list were awarded the Nobel prize, about half of them being physicians.

One physician famed more as a statesman by his connection with the Versailles Treaty is rarely mentioned as a former French teacher at a girls school in this country lest perchance it lessen the fierceness of his political sobriquet. The national anthem of a Central American country was written by a stamp physician and several others were well known as musicians in addition to their medical reputation as becomes sons of Apollo.

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Morbidly speaking two medical men on stamps on attaining prominence were assassinated while another whose hobby was Polar exploration died in an Arctic gale off Iceland. In contrast one of the most noted physicians of medieval times lost his life by shipwreck in the Mediterranean while on a pilgrimage to the Holy Land; another in the Caribbean area lost his life in battle leading his troops.

Speaking of unusual endings we find a chemist on stamps who lost his life during the French Revolution, through a doctor's invention, by sticking his neck out too far. The inventor has not been postally recognized yet for his instrument that separated peoples ideas from their habits.

Aesculapius and especially his caduceus appear on many stamps, sometimes as the main motif of design but more frequently the emblem is seen in conjunction with Mercury, the messenger of the gods and patron of the alchemists. In still other fields we find on stamps a biologist and maker of microscopes who first described bacteria and whose account of the capillaries and blood cells completed the circulation hypothesis of Harvey.

The names of two other allied scientists of stampdom appear on every electrical apparatus that modern physicians use while a physician gives his name to a type of current. The discoverer of the X-ray appears on a series of three with the elucidator of heredity's laws and the discoverer of the Tubercular bacillus.

Among the philatelically portrayed humanitarians we find one who founded the first hospital in Mexico and lived to the ripe old age of 95 in an era when the span of life was only half that; a second who introduced the first printing press into the New World and pioneered in the medical training of natives; a third was one of the founders of the first hospital in the United States, his name also connected with printing and a still popular weekly magazine, not to mention a famous football field and several postoffices. They also say that as our ambassador the Parisian ladies loved him or vice versa.

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(Editors Note: Dr. Reilly is now a resident of Eustis, Fla. Of all the stamps issued with a medical "tie-in" of any kind he has all but seven or eight. Those are the ones remaining on his want list after many years search. It is quite probable that he has the most complete "Medical Subject" collection in this country.

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According to the Department, airmail service is available to the islands of Taiwan (Formosa) and Hainan. Airmail service for the remainder of China (except Mongolia) is available as far as Hong Kong, from which place the articles will be given further transmission by surface mail.

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Registered mail can only be sent to the island of Taiwan and Hainan, the fee remaining as before, 25c. Such mail can be either air or surface.

Only ordinary first class unregistered letters and postal cards are acceptable for the remainder of China including Manchuria. Airmail which has an inland destination and which has been accumulated at Hong Kong will be added to the regular surface mails for delivery in interior China.

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